

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC MEETING



REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN, OU1 (RAP)

PROPOSED SOUTH REGION HIGH SCHOOL #9 AND MIDDLE SCHOOL #4 LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

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Community Meeting: September 18, 2008, 6:00 PM Bryson Elementary School Auditorium 4470 Missouri Avenue, South Gate, CA 90280

Public Comment Period: September 11, 2008 to October 10, 2008

WHAT DOES THE RAP PROPOSE?

This RAP proposes the excavation and off-site disposal of approximately 30,000 cubic yards (45,000 tons) of soil. Off-site disposal will require roughly 2,100 truckloads to remove the impacted soil from Operable Unit (OU) 1 of the Site which consists of the Site area north of Tweedy Boulevard. The work is scheduled to begin in October and should be completed by May 2009. The work will take place daily from 6:00 am to 5:00 pm. Extensive investigations conducted by LAUSD under DTSC oversight have determined that PAHs (polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons), TPH (total petroleum hydrocarbons,) PCBs (polychlorinated biphenyls,) VOCs (volatile organic compounds,) naphthalene, lead, antimony, barium, cadmium, and mercury are present in soils at concentrations exceeding the DTSC health risk levels. As part of the clean up, DTSC required LAUSD to prepare a RAP to address the excavation and lawful disposal of these contaminated soils.

The DTSC has prepared a draft Initial Study and a Negative Declaration for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Initial Study states that the proposed cleanup will not have a significant negative impact on the human health and the environment because of the amount of contaminated soil to be removed and the controlled manner in which the contaminated soils will be loaded onto trucks and transported to an approved off-site facility for lawful disposal and/or treatment.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

The Department is holding a public meeting and a 30 day comment period to allow interested community residents to provide input into the proposed cleanup. The public comment period begins on September 11, 2008, and ends on October 10, 2008 at 5 pm. Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the RAP may be submitted in writing to Mr. Joe Hwong, Project Manager, DTSC, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress CA 90630, and must be postmarked by October 10, 2008.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the RAP and other project documents are available at the Leland R. Weaver Library at 4035 Tweedy Boulevard in South Gate and at the City Clerk's office, South Gate City Hall at 8650 California Avenue.; www.dtsc.ca.gov/Envirostor; and at www.laschools.org. All site documents and the Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the DTSC Regional Records Office, 9122 Oakdale Ave, Chatsworth CA 91311-6505. Contact: Vivien Tutaan at (818) 717-6521 for an appointment.

CONTACT:

If you have any questions about this Project, please contact Mr. Jesus Cruz, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, (916) 255-3315, or by email: jcruz@dtsc.ca.gov; or Mr. Joe Hwong, DTSC Project Manager, at (714) 484-5406 or by email: jmwong@dtsc.ca.gov. Media queries contact: Jeanne Garcia at (818) 717-6573 or email: jgarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov. For information on DTSC, visit our web site: www.dtsc.ca.gov.